ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

It is one objective of the present invention to provide a practical user interface that can considerably simplify the operations required for the display of a specific object desired by a user, and that can accurately display the specific device at an optimal order location for the user. To achieve this objective, a specific object is detected in directory information read from an external memory, and is displayed, using a tree structure, on a display device based on the steps along a directory path originating at a local object.